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**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 AND 1.143**

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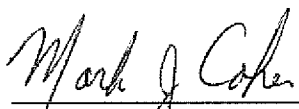
In response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2008, setting forth a requirement for restriction, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group II, encompassing, claims 1-17 and 20, drawn to compounds of formula I, wherein A=B=furan, and the linker is O-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-O, and the linker and the benzofuran oxygen have a meta relationship.

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